

Application No. 09/729,888

Proposed Claims

P1. (Proposed) A method for providing a pre-surgical warning for use on a body having an involved body segment to be involved in a surgical procedure and a plurality of uninvolved body segments which are not to be involved in said surgical procedure, comprising the steps of:

- a. selecting an uninvolved body segment from said plurality of uninvolved body segments to provide a selected uninvolved body segment,
- b. placing a label on said selected uninvolved body segment to provide a labeled selected uninvolved body segment, said label having a superior side and an inferior side,
- c. providing a visually perceivable indicator on said superior side of said label to warn against surgery on said labeled selected uninvolved body segment, and
- d. attaching said inferior side in the vicinity of said labeled selected uninvolved body segment to warn against surgery on said labeled uninvolved body segment in a manner which permits said label to be removed after said surgical procedure.

P2. (Proposed) A pre-surgical alerting device for use on a body having an involved body segment to be involved in a surgical procedure, comprising:

- a. a first warning label for placing on said uninvolved body segment to provide a labeled uninvolved body segment, said first warning label having a visually perceivable indicator to warn against surgery on said labeled uninvolved body segment.
- b. a second warning label corresponding to said first warning label for indicating that said first warning label is placed on said uninvolved body segment, and
- c. a carrier strip for detachably bearing said first and second warning labels simultaneously.

P3. (Proposed) The pre-surgical alerting device of Claim P2 wherein said first and second warning labels are provided with respective corresponding identifying indicia.